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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS  
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SUBJECT: DoD Information Operations Center for Research

This memorandum cancels Deputy Secretary of Defense Memorandum, "Information Operations Center of Excellence," dated September 3, 2004, and redesignates the Naval Post-Graduate's School (NPS), Information Operations (IO) Center of Excellence, as the DoD Information Operations Center for Research. As the DoD Information Operations Center for Research, the NPS shall provide graduate-level IO education and facilitate the exploration of new IO concepts, research, analysis, and field experimentation.

Within six months of the date of this memorandum, the Secretary of the Navy, in coordination with the Joint IO proponent (Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff) and Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy (USD(P)), shall develop and submit a charter, through the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and Low-Intensity Conflict, to the USD(P) for approval.

The point of contact for this action is Mr. Austin Branch, Senior Director, Office of USD(P), IO Directorate, at (571) 256-8109 or [austin.branch@osd.mil](mailto:austin.branch@osd.mil).



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